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Title: DEVICE FOR TREATING A SURFACE. IN PARTICULAR A LEATHER

SURFACE, SUCH AS THAT OF LEATHER SHOES

## COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

This communication is being filed in response to the Office Action dated November 15, 2007.

In paragraph 4 on page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner has indicated that the Information Disclosure Statement filed November 3, 2004 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) because copies of three foreign references were not received by the Patent Office

Applicant attaches hereto a copy of the date stamped postcard receipt evidencing that copies of the foreign patent references were in fact filed with the Patent Office on November 1, 2004. An extra copy of the foreign patent references are attached to this communication. Please acknowledge receipt of these documents on the attached copy of the Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicant hereby requests that the Examiner reissue the Office Action if the foreign patent references affect the substance of the Office Action.

## CONCLUSION

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicant's attorney of record, Michael B. Lasky at 612-436-3152.

Respectfully submitted,

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